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2,877,689	03-17-1959	Pribis	Stand For Pistols
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3,291,317	12-13-1966	Bowen	Gun Rack With Locking Means
3,584,820	06-15-1971	Butcher, Sr.	Archery Bow Stand
3,608,225	09-28-1971	Manuel	Portable Gun Support
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3,947,988	04-06-1976	Besaw	Portable Rifle Rest
3,964,613	06-22-1976	Anderson, Jr.	Rifle Support
4,007,554	02-15-1977	Helmstadter	Adjustable Gun Support
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4,449,314	05-22-1984	Sorensen	Firearm Support
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4,807,381	02-28-1989	Southard	Gun Storage And Maintenance
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4,815,593	03-28-1989	Brown	Combined Storage Box, Tray
			And Rack
4,823,673	04-25-1989	Downing	Swivel Adapter For A Gun
			Holder
4,873,777	10-17-1989	Southard	Press Fit Gun Cradle For
			Firearm Maintenance And
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5,070,636	12-10-1991	Mueller	Gun Sighting Device
5,125,389	06 - 30-1992	Paff	Tensioning Apparatus For
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5,149,900	09-22-1992	Buck	Firearm Support With Seat
5,271,175	12-21-1993	West, III	Shooter's Bench
5,332,185	07-26-1994	Walker, III	Gun Rest
5,370,240	12-06-1994	Hand	Dual Shooters Bow And Gun
			Stand
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5,497,557	03-12-1996	Martinsson	Chain Stretching Device For A
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